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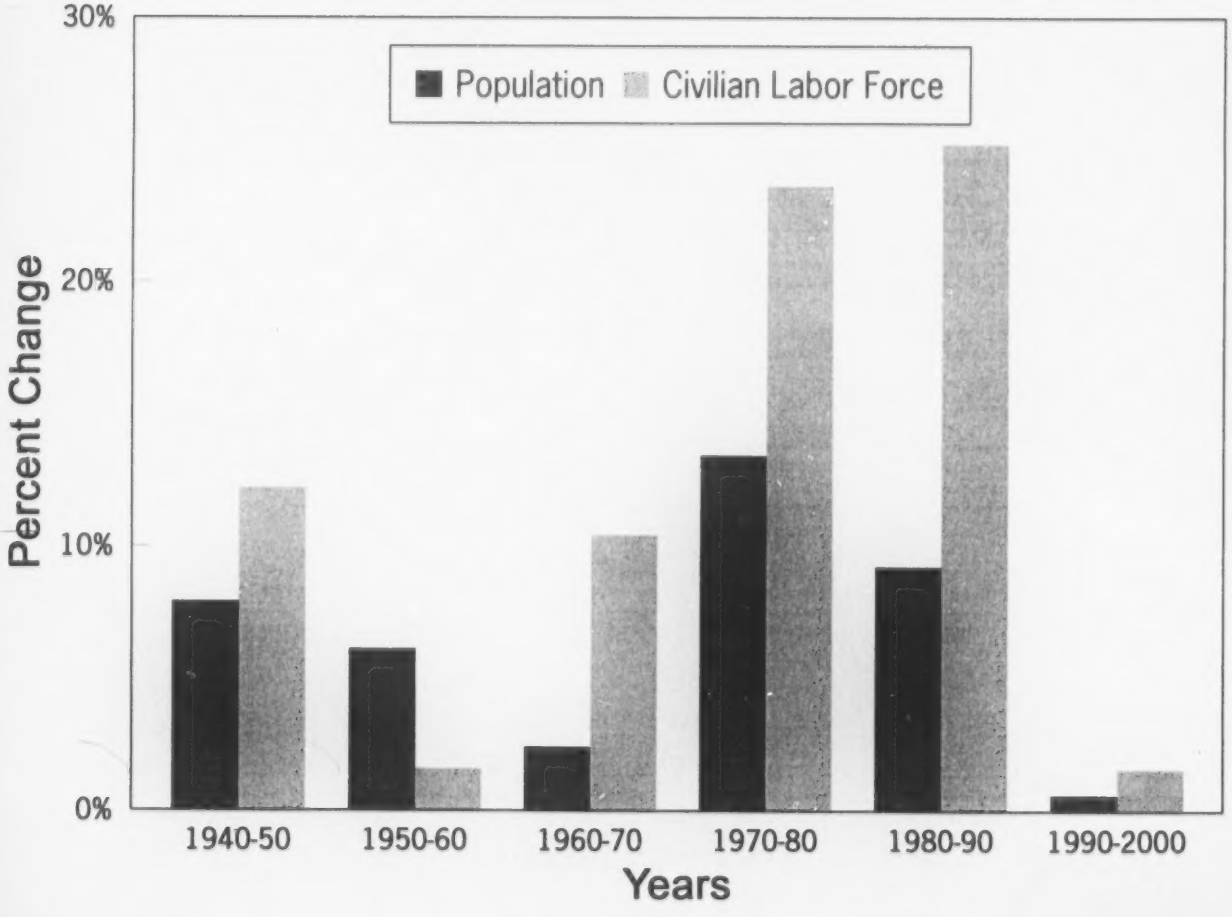

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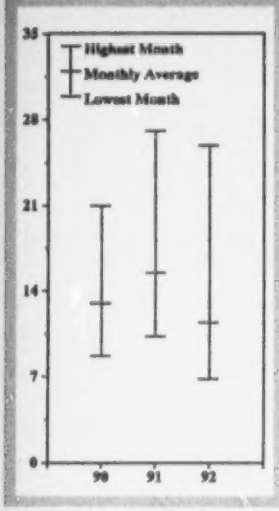

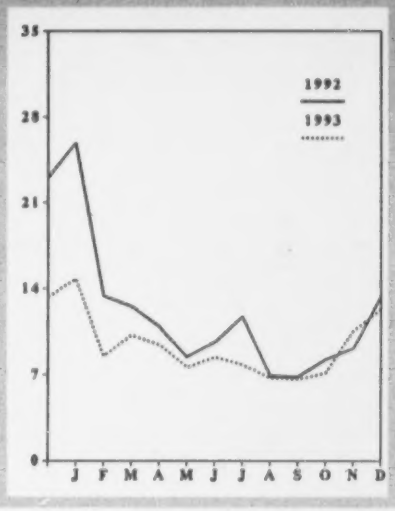

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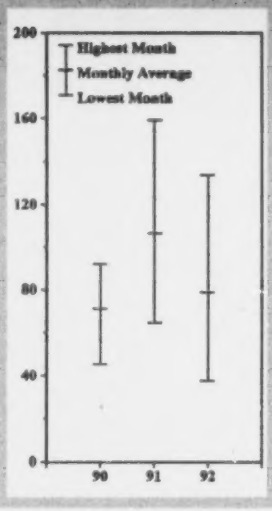

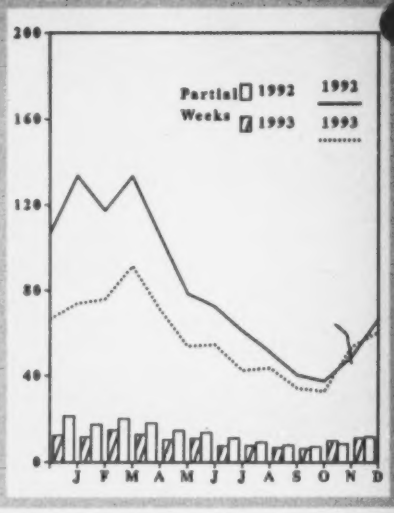

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LICENSING AGENCY:	Department of Professional and Financial Regulation Maine Board of Accountancy State House Station #35 Augusta, Maine 04333 Tel: 582-8723
QUALIFICATIONS:	
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PROFESSIONAL/ TECHNICAL:	At least four years of college at an institution recognized by the Board. Work experience needed dependent upon education.
EXAMINATION:	Yes
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REQUIRED BY MAINE LAW:	Yes

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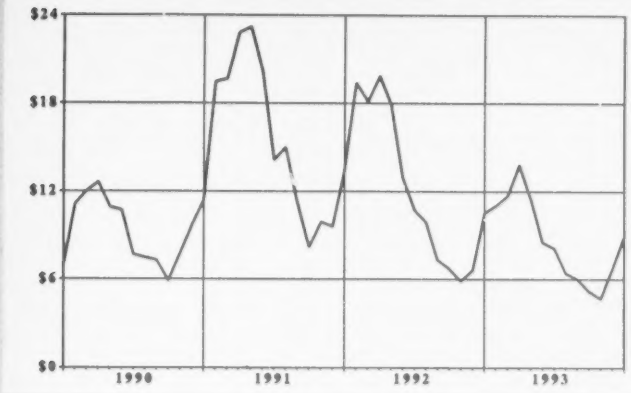
Selected Employment Security Activities

Unemployment Insurance Benefit Payments

In Millions

(Total includes Maine's Portion of Extended Benefits)



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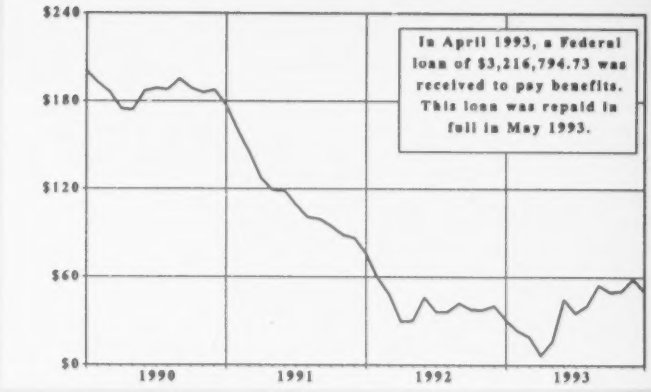
In Millions

(End of Month)



Earnings and Workweek of Production Workers in Manufacturing Industries

AREA AND INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS			ANNUAL AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	1990	1991	1992
STATEWIDE												
Manufacturing	$485.55	$480.05	$466.97	41.5	41.1	40.5	$11.70	$11.68	$11.53	$10.58	$11.08	$11.38
Durable Goods	477.51	469.61	452.57	41.2	40.8	40.3	11.59	11.51	11.23	10.20	10.61	11.14
Lumber and Wood Products	385.56	383.68	380.89	40.5	41.3	41.0	9.52	9.29	9.29	9.10	8.97	9.25
Primary and Fabricated Metals	523.42	524.16	468.78	45.2	46.1	44.1	11.58	11.37	10.63	9.98	10.18	10.45
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	589.19	572.44	567.91	44.3	44.0	42.7	13.30	13.01	13.30	11.63	12.43	12.82
Electronic and Other Electric Equipment	433.65	418.04	404.95	41.3	39.7	38.9	10.50	10.53	10.41	9.69	9.91	10.02
Transportation Equipment	587.16	583.55	558.36	39.7	38.8	39.6	14.79	15.04	14.10	11.68	12.55	14.09
Other Durable Goods	363.60	355.71	325.08	40.9	39.7	37.8	8.89	8.96	8.60	8.11	8.57	8.86
Nondurable Goods	491.23	487.75	479.04	41.7	41.3	40.7	11.78	11.81	11.77	10.93	11.48	11.57
Food and Kindred Products	339.77	338.00	324.80	35.1	36.9	35.0	9.68	9.16	9.28	8.56	8.76	9.15
Textile Mill Products	422.27	421.46	390.87	45.7	42.4	43.0	9.24	9.94	9.09	8.82	8.82	9.03
Apparel and Other Textile Products	282.60	314.11	257.40	36.0	38.4	33.0	7.85	8.18	7.80	7.38	7.28	7.65
Paper and Allied Products	753.87	740.96	738.01	45.8	44.0	45.5	16.46	16.84	16.22	15.16	16.06	16.25
Leather and Leather Products	319.95	323.21	308.70	39.5	40.2	38.3	8.10	8.04	8.06	7.44	7.82	7.92
Other Nondurable Goods	428.86	422.91	410.15	41.0	40.9	39.4	10.46	10.34	10.41	9.62	9.85	10.07
PORTLAND MSA												
Manufacturing	429.66	420.42	403.20	39.6	39.0	38.4	10.85	10.78	10.50	10.63	10.45	10.55
LEWISTON.AUBURN MSA												
Manufacturing	437.47	436.00	375.20	43.4	43.6	40.0	10.08	10.00	9.38	9.26	9.33	9.53

Female Labor Force in Maine

in Thousands

ITEM[1/]	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago
Labor Force	296.6	302.8	306.7
Unemployment	16.6	21.5	21.4
(Percent)	5.6%	7.1%	7.0%
Resident Employed	280.0	281.3	285.3

U.S. Consumer Price Index

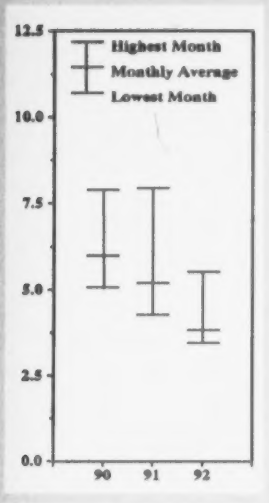
BASE PERIOD	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	Last Dec.
(1982-1984 = 100) All Items (CPI-U)	145.8	145.8	141.9	141.9

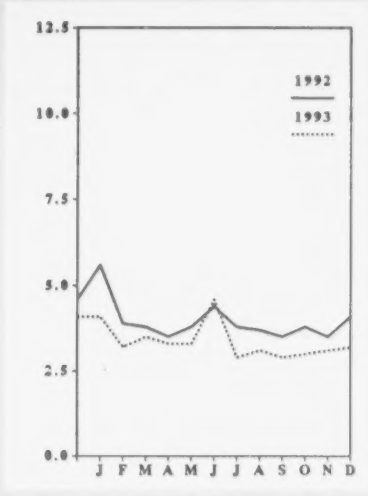
Percent Change for Past Month	+0.0%
Percent Change from Last December	+2.7%
Percent Change from 12 Months Ago	+2.7%

1/ Current figures preliminary; last month and year ago figures revised.
Source: Female labor force estimates are developed by, and solely the responsibility of, the Maine Division of Economic Analysis and Research.

New Applications For Work

In Thousands

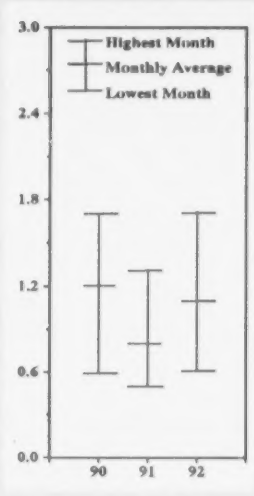


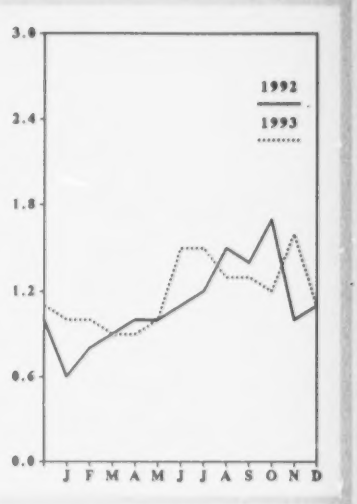


Nonfarm Placements

In Thousands

(Excludes Placements of Less than Three Days Duration)





Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment by Place of Work (in Thousands)

ITEM	STATEWIDE			PORTLAND MSA			LEWISTON-AUBURN MSA		
	THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO	THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR AGO
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment 1/	522.7	526.3	516.6	126.3	127.4	124.8	40.1	40.1	38.2
Goods Producing	114.8	116.4	114.0	17.7	18.8	17.4	9.7	9.8	9.3
Construction and Mining	21.8	23.0	21.7	5.3	5.7	5.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
Building Construction	5.6	5.5	5.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	n/a	n/a	n/a
Special Trade Contractors	12.0	12.9	12.3	3.5	3.7	3.4	n/a	n/a	n/a
Manufacturing	93.0	93.4	92.3	12.4	13.1	12.4	8.2	8.3	7.8
Durable Goods	41.4	41.8	41.8	5.0	5.6	5.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Lumber and Wood Products	11.0	11.1	11.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Primary and Fabricated Metals	3.2	3.2	3.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	4.0	4.0	3.6	1.0	1.0	1.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Electronic and other Elect. Equip.	6.6	6.6	6.8	2.0	2.0	2.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
Transportation Equipment	12.2	12.3	12.8	(d)	(d)	(d)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other Durable Goods 2/	4.4	4.6	4.3	2.0	2.6	2.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nondurable Goods	51.6	51.6	50.5	7.4	7.5	7.2	6.0	6.1	5.6
Food and Kindred Products	6.6	6.7	6.5	2.0	2.0	1.9	n/a	n/a	n/a
Textile Mill Products	5.5	5.3	5.2	(d)	(d)	(d)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Apparel and Other Textile Products	3.2	3.2	2.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Paper and Allied Products	16.3	16.2	16.6	(d)	(d)	(d)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Printing and Publishing	5.3	5.3	5.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rubber and Misc. Plastic Products	3.1	3.0	2.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Leather and Leather Products	10.3	10.4	9.8	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.8	1.5
Footwear (except Rubber)	8.4	8.5	8.1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	1.3	1.5	1.4	2.6	2.7	2.7	4.3	4.3	4.1
Service Producing	407.9	409.9	402.6	108.6	108.6	107.4	30.4	30.3	28.9
Transportation and Public Utilities	20.8	20.6	21.3	5.7	5.6	5.7	1.4	1.4	1.4
Wholesale Trade	22.5	22.6	22.9	8.4	8.4	8.3	2.0	2.0	1.9
Retail Trade	110.3	110.6	110.1	31.7	31.7	31.9	9.2	9.0	8.6
General Merchandise Stores	12.6	12.7	12.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Food Stores	18.9	18.8	18.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Eating and Drinking Places	31.6	32.8	31.0	7.6	7.8	7.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	24.4	24.6	23.8	11.8	11.7	11.6	2.0	2.0	2.0
Banking	8.8	8.8	8.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Insurance Carriers, Brokers and Agents	10.7	10.7	10.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Services	133.4	133.7	127.0	34.4	34.4	32.9	11.4	11.5	10.5
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	8.0	8.6	6.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Business Services	13.6	13.4	13.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Health Services	48.8	48.9	47.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Federal Government	14.5	15.0	16.2	2.1	2.1	2.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
State Government	28.1	28.7	27.7	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
Local Government	53.9	54.1	53.6	9.5	9.7	10.0	3.4	3.4	3.5
Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

1/ Employment figures relate to full- and part-time wage and salary workers in pay periods including the 12th of the month. Domestic workers in private households, proprietors, self-employed, and unpaid family workers are excluded. 2/ Includes Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes: Statewide - 25, 32, 38, 39; Portland - 24, 25, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 39. 3/ Includes SIC codes: Statewide - 28, 29; Portland - 20, 22, 23, 26, 30; Lewiston - 20, 22, 23, 26, 27. 4/ Regular teachers are included in summer months whether or not specifically paid in those months. n/a - data not available in sufficient detail for publication. * Less than 50. (d) Nondisclosure item. Source: Nonfarm wage and salary employment by place of work and earnings, and workweek of production workers in manufacturing industries are developed by the Maine Division of Economic Analysis and Research in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

AREA 1/	LABOR FORCE 2/			RESIDENT EMPLOYED			UNEMPLOYMENT Number			UNEMPLOYMENT Percent of Labor Force		
	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago
MAINE-STATEWIDE(000)	636.6	643.1	655.5	587.0	591.5	607.7	49.6	51.6	47.8	7.8	8.0	7.3
MAJOR LABOR MARKET												
Bangor MSA	48,000	48,400	47,700	45,000	45,200	45,100	3,000	3,200	2,600	6.3	6.6	5.4
Lewiston-Auburn MSA	44,500	44,400	45,100	40,700	40,600	41,100	3,700	3,800	4,000	8.4	8.6	8.9
Portland MSA	134,800	135,000	139,900	128,100	128,000	133,500	6,700	7,000	6,400	5.0	5.2	4.6
Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA	n/a	n/a	140,500	n/a	n/a	133,580	n/a	n/a	6,920	n/a	n/a	4.9
OTHER LABOR MARKETS												
Augusta	35,560	36,080	37,340	33,150	33,620	34,950	2,410	2,460	2,390	6.8	6.8	6.4
Bath-Brunswick	30,950	30,980	32,980	29,360	29,200	31,340	1,590	1,770	1,640	5.1	5.7	5.0
Belfast	12,520	12,970	12,660	10,980	11,380	11,200	1,550	1,580	1,460	12.3	12.2	11.5
Biddeford	26,730	27,110	27,750	24,380	24,780	25,490	2,350	2,330	2,260	8.8	8.6	8.1
Boothbay Harbor-Wiscasset	15,820	16,560	15,860	14,790	15,500	14,840	1,030	1,070	1,020	6.5	6.4	6.4
Calais-Eastport	16,350	16,350	16,480	14,150	14,320	14,700	2,200	2,030	1,770	13.5	12.4	10.8
Caribou-Presque Isle	21,680	21,890	22,460	18,950	19,010	19,930	2,730	2,880	2,530	12.6	13.2	11.2
Central Penobscot	3,580	3,720	3,600	3,210	3,320	3,320	380	400	280	10.5	10.8	7.8
Dover-Foxcroft	6,980	7,120	7,440	6,390	6,430	6,790	600	680	640	8.6	9.6	8.7
Ellsworth	25,440	26,420	25,920	22,770	23,790	23,530	2,680	2,640	2,390	10.5	10.0	9.2
Farmington	14,160	14,070	14,790	12,970	12,850	13,670	1,190	1,220	1,130	8.4	8.7	7.6
Fort Kent-Allagash	5,830	5,800	6,030	5,250	5,230	5,460	580	560	570	9.9	9.7	9.5
Greenville	1,180	1,170	1,330	1,030	1,030	1,170	150	140	160	12.9	11.7	12.0
Houlton	6,810	6,910	7,000	6,300	6,340	6,530	520	570	470	7.6	8.3	6.7
Kittery-York 3/	30,170	30,330	31,400	28,880	29,020	29,920	1,290	1,310	1,480	4.3	4.3	4.7
Lincoln-Howland	5,260	5,320	5,580	4,670	4,670	5,100	590	660	480	11.3	12.3	8.6
Livermore Falls	5,890	6,030	6,110	5,370	5,500	5,560	520	530	550	8.9	8.8	9.0
Madawaska-Van Buren	4,190	4,150	4,490	3,730	3,700	4,070	460	440	420	10.9	10.7	9.3
Millinocket-East Millinocket	4,020	4,020	4,130	3,650	3,640	3,810	380	380	320	9.3	9.5	7.8
Norway-Paris	12,540	12,940	12,770	11,220	11,610	11,430	1,320	1,330	1,340	10.5	10.3	10.5
Patten-Island Falls	2,700	2,780	2,800	2,440	2,460	2,550	260	320	250	9.5	11.6	8.9
Rockland	20,060	20,750	20,020	18,800	19,080	18,720	1,260	1,670	1,300	6.3	8.1	6.5
Rumford	9,300	9,110	9,910	8,340	8,000	9,020	960	1,110	890	10.4	12.2	8.9
Sanford	16,600	16,890	17,380	14,900	15,140	15,630	1,700	1,740	1,760	10.2	10.3	10.1
Sebago Lakes Region	12,030	12,370	12,640	11,060	11,230	11,710	980	1,130	940	8.1	9.2	7.4
Skowhegan	26,080	26,560	25,780	23,220	23,600	23,060	2,870	2,950	2,720	11.0	11.1	10.5
Southwest Penobscot	11,000	11,200	11,060	9,620	9,640	9,600	1,380	1,560	1,460	12.6	13.9	13.2
Waterville	25,850	25,690	27,080	23,650	23,590	24,930	2,200	2,090	2,150	8.5	8.2	7.9
OTHER NEW ENGLAND STATES (000)												
Connecticut	n/a	n/a	1,767.1	n/a	n/a	1,642.7	n/a	n/a	124.4	n/a	n/a	7.0
Massachusetts	3,132.0	3,140.0	3,135.0	2,950.0	2,948.0	2,887.0	181.0	192.0	248.0	5.8	6.1	7.9
New Hampshire	n/a	n/a	644.3	n/a	n/a	598.7	n/a	n/a	45.6	n/a	n/a	7.1
Rhode Island	n/a	n/a	521.7	n/a	n/a	483.6	n/a	n/a	38.1	n/a	n/a	7.3
Vermont	n/a	n/a	326.2	n/a	n/a	307.0	n/a	n/a	19.3	n/a	n/a	5.9
NEW ENGLAND STATES (000)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
UNITED STATES (000)	128,401	128,521	126,902	120,636	120,632	118,073	7,764	7,890	8,829	6.0	6.1	7.0

Footnotes

1/ Labor force, employment, and unemployment data for all areas are by place of residence and are not seasonally adjusted. Estimates made independently for each labor market area have been benchmarked to and extrapolated from the Current Population Survey estimates for the state. All data exclude members of the Armed Forces. Data are rounded for publishing purposes. Employment and unemployment may not add to labor force due to rounding. MSA - Metropolitan Statistical Area. n/a indicates that the information was not available at the time of printing.

2/ Current estimates preliminary. Last month and year ago estimates revised.

3/ Kittery-York is the eight-town Maine portion of the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA which includes towns in both Maine and New Hampshire.

Source: These data are developed by the Maine Division of Economic Analysis and Research in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Mid-Month Insured Unemployment

ITEM	STATEWIDE			PORTLAND MSA			LEWISTON-AUBURN MSA		
	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago	This Month	Last Month	Year Ago
Number of continued-week claimants*	12,534	10,532	13,169	1,766	1,558	1,822	846	712	1,037

Continued-week claimants are less partials for week including the 12th of the month.

Civilian Labor Force and Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment in Maine

Seasonally Adjusted in Thousands

ITEM	Dec	1993 Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct.	Nov	Dec
Civilian Labor Force 1/	659.9	662.0	654.0	657.4	652.1	652.6	652.6	647.1	654.8	654.7	660.5	649.8	640.0
Resident Employment	612.3	611.6	600.7	602.9	598.9	600.8	596.4	599.0	605.0	603.9	609.2	596.9	590.0
Unemployment	47.6	50.5	53.3	54.5	53.3	51.9	56.0	48.1	49.8	50.8	51.3	53.0	50.0
Percent of Labor Force	7.2	7.6	8.2	8.3	8.2	7.9	8.6	7.4	7.6	7.8	7.8	8.2	7.8
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment 2/	515.9	519.1	519.6	517.0	514.4	511.9	507.3	507.2	509.7	512.7	519.4	520.1	520.3
Construction	21.9	23.5	23.4	23.1	22.7	21.8	21.3	21.7	21.0	21.3	21.1	21.7	22.1
Manufacturing, Durable Goods	41.0	41.4	41.4	40.9	40.8	40.9	40.2	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.6	40.9	40.6
Manufacturing, Nondurable Goods	50.2	51.5	51.2	50.9	51.5	51.1	51.1	51.0	51.5	51.1	51.6	51.3	51.3
Transportation and Public Utilities	21.2	21.7	21.3	21.6	21.4	20.9	20.8	20.5	20.8	20.4	20.4	20.5	20.7
Wholesale Trade	22.9	22.5	22.5	22.4	22.6	22.5	22.0	22.1	21.9	22.2	22.5	22.6	22.6
Retail Trade	108.3	108.1	109.1	107.4	106.8	106.1	103.8	104.0	105.4	106.8	108.5	108.8	108.5
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	23.9	24.0	24.0	23.9	23.9	24.3	24.3	24.2	24.5	24.3	24.7	24.8	24.5
Services	130.0	131.4	131.2	130.9	30.1	129.9	129.7	130.3	130.5	132.9	135.7	135.7	136.4
Government	94.4	94.9	95.4	95.8	94.6	94.4	94.0	93.2	94.0	93.5	94.2	93.7	93.4

1/ Place of residence. 2/ Place of work.

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